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In re: Tabares et al.

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For: METHODS, SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR  
INSTANTIATING A DEVICE DRIVER FOR COMMUNICATION WITH A DEVICE BY  
DYNAMICALLY ASSOCIATING THE DEVICE DRIVER AT RUN-TIME WITH A  
DEVICE-SPECIFIC AND/OR SERVICE-SPECIFIC SOFTWARE COMPONENT

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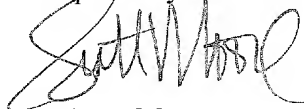
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 41.31, the Applicants in the above-identified patent application hereby appeal the decision to reopen prosecution as set forth in the Office Action dated July 30, 2007.

Pursuant to MPEP § 1204.1 (Reinstatement of Appeal), an "Appellants' Supplemental Brief on Appeal Under 37 C.F.R. §41.37" is filed concurrently herewith.

- ☒ **Please first reapply any previously paid notice of appeal fee and appeal brief.**
- ☐ Payment by credit card is requested. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☐ A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) is enclosed.
- ☐ Also enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

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